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## Patent Application Transmittal

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For: System and Method for Enabling a Collision-Free Protocol Over Ethernet

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### Enclosed are

20 pages of specification, including 9 claims, plus 6 sheets of **Formal** drawings.

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